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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132 effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant  
application filed on or after June 8, 1995  
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted  
i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 previously filed on April 30, 2003.  
ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on  
iii. ☐ Other:  
b. ☐ Enclosed  
i. ☐ Response to Advisory Action ( pgs.)  
ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) (1 pg.); PTO Form 1449 (1 pg.); 9 Cited References  
iv. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)  
b. ☒ Other: A return postcard

**3. Fees**

- The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.  
a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 501373 for any additional fees not covered by the check(s) enclosed herewith  
b. ☒ A check in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed for RCE fee.  
c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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